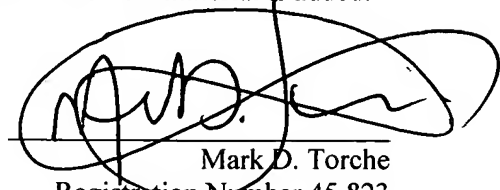


**REMARKS**

Claims 1, 3-8, 11, 12, and 16-20 are amended to comply with United States claim practice and to eliminate multiple dependent claims. No new material is added.

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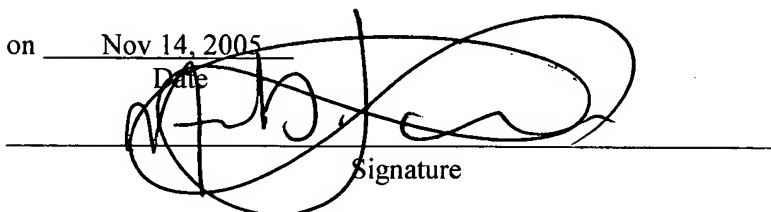
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